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## AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 18, 2005, for which a response was due on April 18, 2005. Applicant submits a request for 3 months extension, thereby extending the date to respond to July 18, 2005. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 7 and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

**Remarks** begin on page 8.